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N. Y. Draft Boards Fail to Get Together

Drawings Expected Soon, but Local Bodies Are Still Without Headquarters

Doctors, Resigning, Charge Favoritism

Whitman Denies Report Politics Rules Rejection of Doctors

While the Provost Marshal General's office in Washington plans to start within a few days the drawings whereby the first army of 687,000 men will be called to the colors, the local draft boards appointed to aid the government in this all important task have hardly begun work.

As far as could be learned yesterday only a few of the 189 exemption boards in New York City have held their first organization meetings. The vacancies on the boards have not been filled. The exemption headquarters throughout the city have not been selected. Clerical forces have yet to be assembled and instructed at exemption posts.

Although Washington claims that 95 per cent of the local and district military exemption boards have been organized, the only board in New York that was reported to have completed its organization yesterday was in District 18, in the 4th Ward of Queens. Its members are William T. Yale, Pawdon W. Kellogg and Dr. Joseph S. Thomas. Many of the boards have not selected their headquarters. When they do, they are to notify the police, who will arrange for notifying the public.

Draft Lists Held Up

For several days past the newspapers have been publishing dispatches from Washington relating to draft regulations. It has been announced that men of draft age must look up the list of red numbers posted at exemption headquarters, and if they found their own numbers there were instructed to report at once for physical examination. Disregard of these orders meant arrest.

Since these announcements were issued men of draft age have been calling on newspapers and haunting the offices of municipal and Federal officials in a vain effort to find out where the lists would be displayed. But nobody knows, for the reason that the exemption board headquarters, where the fateful lists will be posted, have not been selected.

All of this work takes time—at least several days. According to the plans of Adjutant General Crowder, the exemption boards should go into session, ready for the weeding out process, as soon as the first number is drawn and made public.

Thirty Have Resigned

At the office of the Mayor's Defense Committee, the semi-official organization cooperating with the government in the draft, it was admitted yesterday that little or no work had been done by the exemption boards. There have been between twenty-five and thirty resignations. The committee, which

has recommended members for the board, announced that alternates had been selected and their names sent to Governor Whitman in Albany. If he approves them, the names will be sent to Washington, where the appointments have to be ratified by the Administration. Thereupon the men appointed will be notified.

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"Politics?" he said. "Why, we are begging both parties to help us. The state, instead of playing favorites, is mighty glad to get men to serve."

It was declared that both the Republican and Democratic leaders throughout the state were consulted and that if any changes were made of physicians after they had been selected by the local authorities it was because of the State Department of Health, of which Dr. Herman M. Biggs is the head. Dr. Biggs, it was pointed out, is a Democrat, and a left-over of the administration of Governor Glynn.

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Philip J. McCook, chairman of Mayor Mitchell's Defense Committee, was in Albany to-day conferring with Adjutant General Crowder in an effort to straighten out the exemption board difficulties in New York City. He said that the contract they had voluntarily agreed to fill was greater than they had any idea of. He had been assured by the Governor, he said, that successors will be quickly chosen for all those who cannot serve and their names sent to Washington without delay.

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Dr. Hermann M. Biggs last night denied the report that his department had rejected a large number of Bronx physicians who were endorsed by the Bronx County Medical Society for exemption board positions. Dr. Biggs added that he had heard nothing of the resignation of Dr. J. Lewis Amster, president of the society, and Dr. William Goodall because they believed that politics had entered into the rejection of thirty-four out of forty-four physicians they had recommended.

Dr. Mathias Nichol, Jr., deputy to Dr. Biggs, said:

"We had nothing to do with the selection of physicians in New York City. We neither recommended nor rejected any one this side of the Bronx."

City College to Repeat Summer Military Course

So many men applied for the course in military surveying in the summer session of the College of the City of New York that it will be given again, beginning July 16. Enrollment closes on that day. Students can register at the college any day until then.

All branches of military topography will be taken up, including the making of maps from photographs and camp layouts. The field work is done at the surveying camp of the college, in Van Cortlandt Park.

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Opera to Aid Fliers

Proceeds of Columbia Performances to Go to Wounded.

The proceeds from the eight grand opera performances to be given at Columbia University beginning July 17 will be devoted to purchasing comforts for wounded American aviators. The money will be turned over to the National Special Aid Society's Aviation Committee.

The opening performance on July 17, will be "La Bohème." This will be repeated on July 19. Later offerings will be "Faust," "Tosca," "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "Pagliacci."

Plattsburg Students Charge on the Run

Americans at the Front Will Not Advance at a Walk, as the British Do

(By Telegram to the Tribune)

Plattsburg, July 10.—The drill field here presented a vivid war picture to-day. The men were sent forward in waves, to charge with bayonets lines of dummies erected in a series of trenches and dugouts. It was noted that they advanced at a fast run, and not at a walk as the British do. Instructors said this was to be characteristic of them on the front. They were taught to leap all obstacles carrying their rifle with bayonet up in the left hand. Held with both hands, they were to puncture their comrades.

A dog belonging to one of the officers entered into the spirit of the drill, and snapped along at the heels of the men, barking and baying.

Fifty acres of ground were leased to-day at the mouth of the Ausable River, twelve miles from Plattsburg, to be used as a bivouac next week, when the overnight hikes are started. The men will then have their first taste of life in the open. Carrying full equipment of sixty pounds on a twelve-mile trip will prove the hardest work they have done thus far.

Men who have left camp for the aviation school at Boston were to-day discharged from their regiments, preparatory to being enrolled in the aviation section of the Signal Corps. A battery of the 1st B. B. Artillery arrived from Syracuse to-day, and with the arrival of two to-morrow from Birmingham and New York, this contingent will be complete.

One New Yorker, Otto H. Rothenberg, resigned from the camp to-day.

Orville Wright Says Aeros Will Win War

Thinks This Will Be the Last Great Clash, as 'Planes Will Make Conflict Futile

Dayton, Ohio, July 10.—In an interview here to-day Orville Wright predicted that aeroplanes would win the war.

"This is the last war, because aeroplanes used in great numbers will make war futile. My brother and I were so convinced from the beginning," he said. Mr. Wright said air attacks on London were absurd if the design was to destroy the city.

"The obvious reason of these raids is to keep large numbers of airmen in England for defensive purposes," he said. "They might otherwise be used on the Western front."

"What will become of the airplane after the war?" he was asked.

"It will become the most popular vehicle for sport," Mr. Wright said. "Thousands of young men who from have learned to fly will be coming back. They will not quit flying. It is great fun. From the start my brother and I saw the aeroplane as an unerring scout through which armies could detect each other's movements. An army movement can be successful only if veiled in strictest secrecy. The army with the most eyes will win."

U. S. Buys 2,175,000 Pairs of Army Shoes

Agreement With Makers Keep Price at \$4.73 a Pair

Washington, July 10.—Contracts for 2,175,000 pairs of army shoes, at an average price of \$4.73 a pair, have just been awarded by the quartermaster's division of the War Department. The awards include 850,000 pairs of marching shoes and 1,325,000 pairs of field shoes. Agreements with twenty-nine manufacturers call for the completion of all deliveries before the end of the year.

Prices were 12 cents a pair lower than those of the first contracts awarded May 29 for 2,600,000 pairs. At that time, also, 850,000 pairs were ordered for the navy, making 2,225,000 pairs contracted for to date by the government.

The Defense Council's Committee on Shoes and Leather Industries recently formed an agreement with all leather furnish the government with all leather necessary for army purposes at a fixed rate.

"Had these arrangements not been made," said an official announcement to-day, "the manufacturers would have been compelled to go into the open bazaar and bid against each other, and the leather market, already high, would undoubtedly have advanced again."

Family of Five Poisoned

By Salmon and Pickles

Mrs. Lena Gross, of 432 East Third Street, had salmon and pickles for her husband, Samuel, when he came home from the tailor shop last night. A few hours later Mrs. Gross, and her children, Sylvia, Albert and Dora, the little Grosses, were taken to Bellevue Hospital.

The ambulance surgeon said it was ptomaine poisoning. "Two salmon and pickles," contradicted the tailor, weakly.

Kilties to Parade Here for a Week To Get Recruits

Company of McLean and Gordon Highlanders Will Arrive Monday

For the first time since the beginning of the war, British troops will parade through the streets of New York next week. A company of McLean and another of Gordon Highlanders from Canada will arrive here on Monday to aid in the campaign which the British recruiting office is starting to boost enlistments.

The kilties will be accompanied by a pipers' band of twenty and a brass band of fifty pieces. The men will be housed in the 71st Regiment Armory, and will be fed by the New York Hotel Association.

Both units, which belong to regiments having honorable war records, will leave for the front after their week in this city. The United States recruiting officers here have offered the British aid in enlisting every Englishman of fighting age in the city. The Highlanders, headed by their pipers and band, will parade through the streets each day.

On the eve of being mustered into the Federal service, the New York National Guard finds itself still short about four thousand men. The maximum strength set by law is 41,500 officers and men. At present there are 1,200 commissioned officers and 35,453 soldiers of lower rank in the service.

When the Guard is mobilized there will be four vacancies to fill among officers of higher rank. These are: commander of artillery, to which position Major General O'Ryan has asked that Colonel Snow be appointed; brigadier general of infantry, to which he has asked that Colonel Bandholtz be appointed; colonel of the 69th and colonel of the 3d Field Artillery. These last two posts may be filled by Captains Hassell and Hand. The War Department does not give General O'Ryan authority to name these officers, but will probably accept his recommendations.

Division headquarters of the Guard still needs a few experienced men to join the headquarters detachment of the 1st Brigade. There are vacancies for two wagoners, five mounted men and six motorcycleists.

Troop C of Squadron A is also in need of men. These will be selected "with a view to maintaining social equality."

The Naval Coast Defence Reserve of the 2d Naval District, with headquarters at Newport, R. I., is still in need of men to man its fleet of submarine chasers. An enrolling office has been opened in the Woolworth Building. Applications will be received here and full information will be given out concerning the service. Applicants will have to go to Newport for examination and enlistment.

Clerks and stenographers are chiefly needed. These, if accepted, will be rated as chief yeomen. The district will also accept electricians, machinists, plumbers, ship fitters, carpenters and boiler makers.

Augustus Thomas, John Philip Sousa and Benjamin Chapin addressed the meeting of the Midway Minute Men at 57 Chambers Street yesterday. Several recruits were gained through their efforts. Mr. Sousa, who is now a lieutenant in the navy, led the band of the Ambrose Orphan Asylum in several of his own marches.

Following the meeting Mr. Chapin presented the boys of the band with tickets for his Lincoln Cycle at the Globe Theatre.

141,894 Have Enlisted In Army Since April 1

Washington, July 10.—With 1,296 war volunteers accepted yesterday, enlistments for the regular army since April 1 reached 141,894, leaving a few more than 40,000 men still to be found.

New York State led the day with 214 men, and is now less than 3,000 short of its quota of 18,226. Pennsylvania, Illinois, California, Michigan and other states with large quotas, which they have already filled, continued to roll up a surplus. Illinois has now supplied 13,287 men on a quota of 11,276.

Vermont remains at the end of the list. With a quota of 710 to be filled the state has supplied only eighty-five men in more than three months.

John D. Reaches Cleveland

Cleveland, July 10.—John D. Rockefeller arrived here this morning to spend the summer at his Forest Hill home. Mr. Rockefeller celebrated his seventy-eighth birthday at Pocantico Hills last Sunday, said he was feeling fine and announced himself ready for a game of golf.

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To Probe Naval Explosion

Captain R. L. Russell Appoints Mare Island Board

San Francisco, July 10.—A naval board of inquiry of four ranking officers was appointed to-day by Captain Robert L. Russell, commandant of the 12th Naval District, to investigate the cause of an explosion at the Mare Island and navy yard yesterday, which killed six and injured thirty-one persons.

All the injured are expected to recover, it was officially announced, but no details concerning the probable cause of the blast, which damaged several buildings and destroyed thousands of dollars' worth of property, were obtainable from official sources.

It became known that the board would pursue its investigation on the theory that the explosion was the result of external agencies rather than natural causes.

Says Shipyards Hire Aliens

Fore River Ship Co. Favors Foreigners, Olney Declares

(From The Tribune Bureau)

Washington, July 10.—Congressman Olney, of Massachusetts, to-day made a protest against the alleged policy of the Fore River Ship Building Company in giving preference to alien labor at this time.

According to information laid before the Massachusetts Representative, several experienced ship workers have been denied employment at the Fore River Works, while at the same time the employment office was accepting foreign laborers. It is stated the shipbuilding company is following this policy to secure men who are exempt under the provisions of the draft law, it being their claim that if their men are taken for military service it will disorganize the operations of the plant.

In a letter to the Fore River Ship Building Company officials Mr. Olney stated to-day he believed the concern should give preference to American citizens in hiring labor at this time.

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